

The December 26, 2007 Amendment revised the independent claims to recite additional features. In particular, the independent claims were amended to recite a common e-mail address that is commonly assigned to and shared by a plurality of electronic devices.

The Office Action acknowledges that Ono does not disclose the additional features entered into those independent claims. However, the Office Action asserts that Lazaridis discloses this new feature, and that the combination of Ono and Lazaridis would have rendered obvious the subject matter recited in the independent claims. This assertion lacks factual support.

Lazaridis discloses a system in which a desktop computer 10 and a mobile computer 24 share an e-mail address. See Fig. 1 and col. 7, lines 31-65. Lazaridis discloses that a redirector program 12 of the desktop computer 10 may be configured to replicate and redirect certain user data items to the mobile device 24, after an e-mail reaches the desktop computer 10.

In view of the above, Lazaridis discloses redirecting information based on the configuration of the redirector program 12. Lazaridis does not disclose or suggest redirecting information "in accordance with contents of the e-mail message addressed to the predetermined common e-mail address." Thus, Lazaridis does not supply the subject matter lacking in Ono in connection with making a determination according to the contents of the e-mail addressed to the common e-mail address, as recited in claim 1, and similarly recited in other independent claims.

Also, Lazaridis discloses a system that only has a desktop computer 10 and a mobile computer 24. Lazaridis does not disclose or suggest a mail server and a plurality of electronic devices that share a common e-mail address, with the server receiving an e-mail before the e-mail is forwarded to any of the electronic devices. In particular, if the Office Action asserts that the desktop computer 10 corresponds to the recited server, then Lazaridis does not

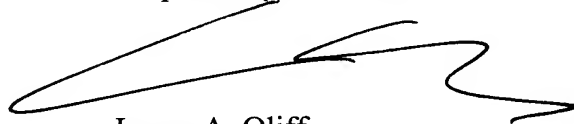
disclose a plurality of electronic devices. On the other hand, if the Office Action is asserting that the desktop computer 10 corresponds to one of the plurality of electronic devices, then Lazaridis does not disclose a server that is forwarding an e-mail to an appropriate electronic device.

Also, Taniguchi does not supply the subject matter lacking in Ono. Thus, the applied references, either individually or in combination, do not disclose or suggest the subject matter recited in the claims. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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